

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Hisanobu KANAMARU et al.

Confirmation No. 4557

Application No.: 10/613,523

Art Unit: 3663

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Examiner: H.C. Le

For: **DRIVE DEVICE FOR A MECHANICAL
PRESS**

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 6, 2006, the first Advisory Action dated January 30, 2007, and the second Advisory Action dated February 7, 2007, Applicants hereby submit a Request for Reconsideration in the above-identified application.

Applicants' representative, Jennifer Ying, conducted a telephone conference with the Examiner's supervisor, Examiner Jack Keith, on March 2, 2007. During the March 2nd telephone conference, the claim language "about a common axis" was discussed. Examiner Keith agreed that the claim language was clear, and therefore the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112 should be withdrawn. Examiner Keith indicated that in view of the withdrawal of the §112 rejections, the §102 rejections based on European Patent Application 1,075,931 to Jurgen would be reconsidered.

Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to Applicants' January 8, 2007 Response and submit that the pending claims 1-8 and 10-15 are patentable over Jurgen. *See*, January 8th Response, page 9.

In view of the foregoing it is believed that claims 1-8 and 10-15 are in condition for allowance and it is respectfully requested that the application be reconsidered and that all pending claims be allowed and the case passed to issue.

If there are any other issues remaining which the Examiner believes could be resolved through a Supplemental Response or an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

This Request for Reconsideration is being submitted concurrently with a Petition for One-month's Extension of Time. Accordingly, it is believed that no extra fee is due with this submission. However, the Commissioner is hereby requested and authorized to charge the any deficiency of up to \$300.00 or credit any excess in this fee to Deposit Account No. 04-0100.

Dated: March 5, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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